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In Claim 49, line 1, please delete "claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7" and insert – claim 1 – therefor.

In Claim 51, line 1, please delete "claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7" and insert – claim 1 – therefor.

In Claim 52, lines 2 and 3, please delete "claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7" and insert – claim 1 – therefor.

In Claim 54, line 3, please delete "claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7" and insert – claim 1 – therefor.

In Claim 56, line 2, please delete "claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7" and insert – claim 1 – therefor.

## <u>REMARKS</u>

The above amendments are being submitted in connection with the national stage filing of the present Application. The amendments eliminate the multiple dependent claims from the Application.

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